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1. A previous report on the Blaufardon Plant (date of information: [redacted]) was submitted. It was said to be a converted and enlarged washing plant put into operation in the middle of 1948. The ore dressing resulting in a higher concentration of the crude ore consists of washing the ore, which is first sorted by hand and then broken and crushed in breaking- and ball mills. The degree of concentration obtained in this procedure is unknown.

2. A capacity of 20 tons of ores produced in an eight hour working schedule was reported for July 1948, when the enlargement of the plant was not yet completed ( ). The number of shaking sifters is evidently between 72 and 120.

3. There are also various signs of chemical ore purification in object 99, but they are mostly based only on hearsay statements. A chemical purification process could possibly be inferred from information in another report. . Sulphur dioxide escaping during ore roasting could be responsible for the acrid smell, though it may hardly be assumed that under normal circumstances poisonous gases would freely escape and endanger the surroundings. These indications will have to be confirmed in possible later reports.

4. No confirmation of further processing of concentrates in RIISA near BRSDEN could yet be obtained (see other report)\*. A source [REDACTED], in another report, contests these shipments from OBERSCHLEMA to RIISA.

5. In the "List of the plants of the main administration" metallurgy" existing on 1 September 1948" issued by the Commercial Department of the Main Administration "Metallurgy" of the German Economic Commission the VVB ("Vereinigung volkseigener Betriebe" - association of nationalized plants) and the attached VSB ("Volkseigene Betriebe" Nationalized plants) are recorded with the new plant designation and

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the work force strength in addition to the previous plant designation. Among the nine plants of the VVB für Buntmetalle the "Saxon Ironworks and "Blaufarben" Plant in FREIBERG/SAXONY is indicated as 26th plant with the following subsidiary plants:

Current Number	Previous Plant Designation	New Plant Designation	Work Force
26	Saxon Ironworks and "Blaufarben" Plant in FREIBERG/SAXONY		
	"Muldenhuetten" Plant	Nationalized "Muldenhuetten" Ironworks	62
	"Halsbruecke" Plant	Nationalized "Halsbruecke" Ironworks	538
	"Oberschlema" Plant	Nationalized "Oberschlema" Ironworks	206
	"Aue" Plant	Nationalized "Aue" Ironworks	210

6. In this list the OBERSCHLEMA "Blaufarben" Plant is referred to as a nationalized plant and not as part of the Soviet Wismuth Corporation. This may confirm press reports which stated that the plants of the Wismuth Corporation were nationalized. This would also correspond to the Soviet habit of returning to the Germans Soviet Corporation Plants with a passive balance. The output is then requested as reparation demand.
7. This also applies to the "Himmelfahrt-Fundgrube" Mine in FREIBERG/Saxony, which had been transferred to the Wismuth Corporation in July 1948 (see another report). This mine, which was assigned to Object 15 of the Wismuth Corporation, is listed in the above-mentioned table as "Nationalized Himmelfahrt-Fundgrube FREIBERG" of the VVB "für Buntmetalle".
8. The following data on the "Saxon Ironworks and Blaufarben-Plant in FREIBERG" is in the list of the "Chemical Industries of the German Reich, 1937-1938":

- Installations:
1. Mulden Ironworks
  2. Halsbruecke Ironworks
  3. OBERSCHLEMA Blaufarben-Plant: cobalt, nickel-metal, oxides, salts and dyes, cuprous oxide, (The AUE Plant was not yet listed)

Work Force:

	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Workmen	1,211	1,344	1,404	1,472	1,584
Technical personnel	52	69	68	71	71
Commercial personnel	85	89	94	96	105
	1,348	1,502	1,566	1,639	1,760

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9. In the above list of the VSB (nationalized plants) the total work force of the four ironworks of the former enterprise "Saxon Ironworks and Blaufarben-Plant FRUBERG" is listed at 1,012 on 1 September 1943. These figures also include the work force of the ABB Plant.
10. It can be inferred from above statements that the nationalized ABB Ironworks is Object 100 of the Wismuth Corporation and the nationalized OBERSCHMIDT Ironworks Object 99. The work forces numbering 210 and 206 respectively, indicate the sizes of both plants in the fall of 1943.

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